WARNING - ONE PERSON POWER AUGER

Any piece of equipment can be dangerous if not operated properly. <u>YOU</u> are responsible for the safe operation of this equipment. The operator must carefully read and follow any warnings, safety signs and instructions provided with or located on the equipment. Do not remove, defeat, deface or render inoperable any of the safety devices or warnings on this equipment. If any safety devices or warnings have been removed, defeated, defaced or rendered inoperable, **DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT!!!**

WARNING: Operating, servicing and maintaining this equipment can expose you to chemicals including engine exhaust, carbon monoxide and lead, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. To minimize your exposure, avoid breathing exhaust, do not idle the engine except as necessary, operate and service your equipment in a well-ventilated area and wear gloves or wash your hands frequently when servicing your equipment. For more information go to www.P65warnings.ca.gov

Use extreme caution whenever operating, moving, loading or unloading this equipment. During and after operation the Muffler and other components are Extremely Hot and will cause Serious Burns.

Always maintain a safe distance from the auger and other rotating parts.

Warning metal conducts electricity. Do Not use this Auger where it may come into contact with underground power lines or other electric circuts. Failure to comply to this warning will result in serious personal injury or death.

Smart digging means calling 811 before each job. Whether you are a homeowner or a professional excavator, one call to 811 gets your underground utility lines marked for FREE

WARNING!

This product contains or produces one or more chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Always wear Foot, Hand and Eye Protection whenever operating this equipment.

Understanding Kickback

Kickback describes a sharp, pulsating movement of the Hole Digger handles in a counterclockwise direction against the left sides of the operator. It is an inherent operating characteristic.

- 1) Kickback occurs whenever the auger contacts a buried obstruction. Assume it will occur while digging every hole.
- 2) Keep the left side handles as close to the body as possible. Maintain full control and alertness while digging.
- 3) Loss of control: push yourself free and clear. Do not attempt to grasp the handles if the Hole Digger is spinning.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RULES TO FOLLOW

- 1. The hole digger is not designed to drive/install anchoring devices of any type, design or style.
- 2. Minors are not allowed to operate the hole digger. Bystanders, especially children and animals should not be allowed in the area where a hole digger is being used.
- 3. Wear snug fitting clothing, gloves, boots, hardhat, and safety glasses while operating.
- 4. Be aware of all underground pipes and cables before you dig.
- 5. Never refuel when engine is hot or running.
- 6. Start and operate the hole digger only when in a well ventilated, outdoor area.
- 7. When drilling multiple holes, be sure to shut engine off after each hole to minimize the potential of personal injury when moving to the next hole.
- 8. Be sure to have both hands firmly on the handles at all times.
- 9. Maximum auger capable of being used on these hole diggers is 8".

If the person receiving this handout will not be the user of the equipment, forward these instructions to the operator. If there is any doubt as to the operation or safety of the equipment,

DO NOT USE!!! CALL A TOOL SHED IMMEDIATELY!!!
FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN INJURY OR DEATH.